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**Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)**

The amendment filed on 09489079 is considered non-compliant because it has not been submitted in the format required under 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on September 8, 2000 (see 65 Fed. Reg. 54603, Sept. 8, 2000 and 1238 O.G. 77, Sept. 19, 2000).

- ☒ The amendment does not include a clean version of the replacement paragraph/section. 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii)
- ☒ The amendment does not include a marked-up version of the replacement paragraph/section 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(iii)
- ☐ The amendment does not include a clean version of the amended claim(s). 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(i)
- ☐ The amendment does not include a marked-up version of the amended claim(s). 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii)

**For your convenience, attached to this correspondence is a copy of an informational flyer (MPEP Bookmark Bulletin on "Simplified Amendment Practice").**

Applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to submit an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121, effective March 1, 2001, in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

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